



**Cullen & Deskford Community Council**  
**Minutes 21 February 2017**

Memorial Hall, Cullen

Tue 21 February 2017. 7pm

**1) In Attendance**

CDCC: Iain Grieve, Tam McLellan, Barry Addison, Dennis Paterson,  
Phil Lovegrove, Stewart Black, Norman Marwick.

Cullen Fire Station: John Smith

Visitors: Colin Burch, Edwin Flett, Chris Flett, Jane Martin CCLO

**Apologies**

Cllr Stewart Cree, Cllr Gary Coull, Cllr Ron Shephard

**2) Welcome**

Iain Grieve opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and thanking them for their attendance.

**3) Representation – Johnny Smith Cullen Fire Brigade**

Johnny Smith gave an informative presentation on Defibrillators and CPR Training.

Norman Marwick's company (Forum Energy Technologies (UK) Ltd) will donate two Defibrillators to CDCC, new batteries must be purchased for them. Discussion took place on various locations for them. Barry Addison to contact the local Co-op to ask if possible that one can be located there.

All members and visitors (except Tam McLellan) to attend training at the Cullen Fire Station on Tuesday 28 February at Cullen Fire Station 7.00 pm.

**4) Minutes of previous meeting**

The minutes from the previous meeting held on the 17 January 2017 were accepted and approved.

Proposed: Barry Addison

Seconded: Phil Lovegrove

**5) Matters Arising from previous minutes**

- The new secretary sent her apologies to Iain Grieve stating that she no longer wished to take the position as secretary
- Reimbursement of wreaths, it was agreed that groups should be reimbursed.



- Meeting with Community Warden – Iain Barry and Dennis met with the Community Warden Chris Hayworth, Chris promised more patrols regarding dog fouling. There followed a discussion on reporting dog owners it was agreed that a Facebook promotion encouraging the Community to report any issues to the Community Council who will report on their behalf. Dennis to draft something for FB for approval from all members.
- Pitness Brae Handrail. This handrail is in a poor state with major safety issues. Discussion took place about ownership and if CDCC should go ahead and make it safe. Jane to contact Ken Kennedy then a decision will be made. (via email and recorder at next meeting)
- Lintmill Play Park – Barry met the builder he will lay the foundation if CDCC dig the hole, it was agreed that they would.
- Community Action Plan – Barry Addison drafted a Community Action Plan that was circulated, Jane recommended that they speak to a CSO on the future of the plan, this was agreed by members.

#### **6) Reports**

Local Councillors: None in attendance

#### **7) Agency Updates**

Members stated that they did not receive the Community Safety Report, Jane informed them that it was sent on the 1 February and to be aware that it is now called the Community Safety Report which includes information from all agencies in the Community Safety Partnership

#### **8) Correspondence**

Cullen ASG rezoning – Iain Grieve responded to this consultation.  
Lower speed for communities  
Keep Scotland Beautiful

#### **9) Treasurers Report**

Barry Provided an update on the current finances of the CC, the account balances presently stand at; Admin Account: £902.85, Fundraising Account: £5712.74.

#### **10) Projects & Fundraising**

There was nothing to report at present regarding fundraising. Stewart Black suggested writing to all groups in the area and inviting them along to a meeting, this would ensure that everybody was working together.

Tam McLellan reported that he and Dennis Paterson plus members of the Cullen Past & Present Volunteer Group had been working with Cullen Nursery and Primary School on the Old Quarry Project. The idea is to improve the area and create nature trails and seating for the community to enjoy. Tam McLellan produced a document showing that responsibility for the area had been transferred to him (2010) by Trustees of the Cullen Community Garden Committee. It was agreed the CDCC would be willing to support an application for funding to Tesco Bags for Help. Stewart Black will contact Seafeld Estates to see if a copy of the original document showing the land was transferred to the community is still available.



### **11) Community Feedback**

Edwin Flett informed the group that the Ship 2 Ship has a new application in process; Stewart Black asked that information coming from the JCC regarding this issue should be forwarded if the chair is on holiday as information was missed.

It was agreed that the CC should support any future objection to a new application by Cromarty Port Authority.

### **12) Planning & Licensing**

Nothing to report.

### **13) Joint Community Council of Moray**

Stewart and Ian could not attend, Jane distributed information regarding CDCC email policy.

### **14) AOCB**

A meeting was held regarding the height restriction barrier at Cullen beach, Tam McLellan reported at the Closed Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> February it was agreed unanimously that the Barrier should go ahead, and the CDCC would meet any outstanding costs not covered by the funding from the Cullen Common Good. Iain raised the issue about procedures regarding extra meetings being held, a heated discussion took place. Several examples of where procedures hadn't been followed in the past were given by members. Iain was also asked why he had taken very little interest or involvement in any projects, and he replied he worked all week, was training at the weekend, and had three children. Iain was asked, was he saying he didn't have the time for the role as chair, and Iain asked if any members would like him to stand down as chair, Stewart Black proposed and Tam McLellan seconded this. Iain resigned and left the room.

A chair will be appointed at the next meeting.

Phil Lovegrove gave his verbal resignation, Barry Addison and Dennis Paterson accepted his resignation.

### **Close**

There being no further business the meeting was closed and The Date / Time / Venue of next meeting was agreed as being: Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2017, Memorial Hall, Cullen 7pm.